

Below is an update on the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan and Health Insurance Marketplace:

<u>Iowa Health and Wellness Plan</u>

Iowa Health and Wellness Plan Public Comment Forum: The Iowa Department of Human Services will hold a public comment forum on the initial implementation and operation of the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan. During the forum, individuals and organizations will have the opportunity to share comments on the program. The forum will be held on May 21, 2014, from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Please see the agenda for additional details and location information.

April Iowa Health and Wellness Plan Enrollment Maps Released: The updated Iowa Health and Wellness Plan enrollment maps have been released. The maps reflect enrollment through the end of April 2014. <u>Access the maps here</u>.

Reminder- RFI Issued for Healthy Behaviors Program: The IME issued a Request for Information (RFI) MED-15-003 on April 24, 2014, that can be found on the Iowa Bid Opportunities site, and accessed by searching bid number RFI MED-15-003. The purpose of this RFI is to allow interested stakeholders and vendors to provide input and comments on member rewards design under the new Healthy Behaviors Program.

Other Iowa Medicaid Interests

Public Comment Period for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Settings Transition: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) have issued regulations that define the settings in which it is permissible for states to pay for Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS). The purpose of these regulations is to ensure that individuals receive Medicaid HCBS in settings that are integrated in and support full access to the greater community. The Iowa Department of Human Services has released the draft transition plan for public comments. Attend an <u>upcoming comment session</u>, and see the dedicated web page for more information on the <u>HCBS Settings Transition</u>. Public comments may be submitted to <u>HCBSsettings@dhs.state.ia.us</u>, and must be submitted by May 30, 2014.

Health Insurance Marketplace

Iowa Health Insurance Marketplace Lessons Learned Listening Session: Hosted by the CMS Kansas City Regional Office, the purpose of the session is for CMS to gain insight from partners and stakeholders who were directly involved in Marketplace outreach, education, and enrollment about what worked well and what can be improved. CMS will use your feedback to improve planning, strategies, and tactics for the highest enrollment impact during the next Open Enrollment Period. The webinar will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, May 12, 2014. Registration is required. To register, go to http://iahimlessonslearned.eventbrite.com.

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